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Re:

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Inventors:

Scott E. ANDERSEN et al.

Title:

Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other

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Atty. Docket: 16517.282

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) are the following documents:

- 1. Appointment of Associate Attorneys;
- 2. Fee Transmittal for FY 2004 (in duplicate);
- 3. Response to Office Action Mailed August 26, 2003; and
- 4. Return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier.

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In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docket number 16517.282. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Sincerely,

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